
SECTION 15185 - HYDRONIC PUMPS

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS

- A. Drawings and general provisions of the Contract, including General and Supplementary Conditions and Division 1 Specification Sections, apply to this Section.

1.2 SUMMARY

- A. This Section includes the following categories of hydronic pumps for hydronic systems:
 - 1. In-line circulators.
 - 2. End-suction pumps.

1.3 SUBMITTALS

- A. Product Data: Include certified performance curves and rated capacities; shipping, installed, and operating weights; furnished specialties; final impeller dimensions; and accessories for each type of product indicated. Indicate pump's operating point on curves.
- B. Maintenance Data: For pumps to include in maintenance manuals specified in Division 1.

1.4 QUALITY ASSURANCE

- A. UL Compliance: Fabricate and label pumps to comply with UL 778, "Motor-Operated Water Pumps," for construction requirements.
- B. Product Options: Drawings indicate size, profiles, connections, and dimensional requirements of pumps and are based on the specific types and models indicated. Other manufacturers' pumps with equal performance characteristics may be considered. Refer to Division 1 Section "Substitutions."
- C. Electrical Components, Devices, and Accessories: Listed and labeled as defined in NFPA 70, Article 100, by a testing agency acceptable to authorities having jurisdiction.

1.5 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

- A. Manufacturer's Preparation for Shipping: Clean flanges and exposed machined metal surfaces and treat with anticorrosion compound after assembly and testing. Protect flanges, pipe openings, and nozzles with wooden flange covers or with screwed-in plugs.
- B. Store pumps in dry location.
- C. Retain protective covers for flanges and protective coatings during storage.
- D. Protect bearings and couplings against damage from sand, grit, and other foreign matter.

1.6 COORDINATION

- A. Coordinate size and location of concrete bases. Cast anchor-bolt inserts into bases. Concrete, reinforcement, and formwork requirements are specified in Division 3 Section "Cast-in-Place Concrete."

1.7 EXTRA MATERIALS

- A. Furnish extra materials described below that match products installed and that are packaged with protective covering for storage and identified with labels describing contents.
 - 1. Mechanical Seals: One mechanical seal for each pump.

PART 2 - PRODUCTS

2.1 MANUFACTURERS

- A. Available Manufacturers: Subject to compliance with requirements, manufacturers offering products that may be incorporated into the Work include, but are not limited to, the following:
 - 1. In-Line Circulators:

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- a. Amtrol, Inc.
 - b. Armstrong Pumps, Inc.
 - c. Bell & Gossett ITT; Div. of ITT Fluid Technology Corp.
 - d. Grundfos Pumps Corp.
 - e. Taco; Fabricated Products Div.
2. Close-Coupled, End-Suction Pumps:
 - a. Amtrol, Inc.
 - b. Armstrong Pumps, Inc.
 - c. Bell & Gossett ITT; Div. of ITT Fluid Technology Corp.
 - d. PACO Pumps.
 - e. Peerless Pump Co.
 - f. Taco; Fabricated Products Div.
 - g. Weil Pump Company, Inc.

2.2 GENERAL PUMP REQUIREMENTS

- A. Pump Units: Factory assembled and tested.
- B. Motors: Include built-in, thermal-overload protection and grease-lubricated ball bearings. Select each motor to be nonoverloading over full range of pump performance curve.
- C. Motors Indicated to Be Energy Efficient: Minimum efficiency as indicated according to IEEE 112, Test Method B. Include motors with higher efficiency than "average standard industry motors" according to IEEE 112, Test Method B, if efficiency is not indicated.

2.3 IN-LINE CIRCULATORS

- A. Description: Horizontal, in-line, centrifugal, single-stage, bronze-fitted, radially split case design; rated for 125-psig (860-kPa) minimum working pressure and a continuous water temperature of 225 deg F (107 deg C).
 1. Casing: Cast iron, with threaded companion flanges for piping connections, and threaded gage tappings at inlet and outlet connections.

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- a. Connection Option: Unions at connections for casings that are not available with threaded companion flanges.
 2. Impeller: ASTM B 584, cast bronze, statically and dynamically balanced, closed, overhung, single suction, and keyed to shaft.
 3. Shaft and Sleeve: Steel shaft with oil-lubricated copper sleeve.
 4. Seals: Mechanical type. Include carbon-steel rotating ring, stainless-steel spring, ceramic seat, and flexible bellows and gasket.
 5. Pump Bearings: Oil-lubricated, bronze journal and thrust type.
 6. Motor Bearings: Oil-lubricated, sleeve type.
 7. Coupling: Flexible, capable of absorbing torsional vibration and shaft misalignment.
 8. Motor: Resiliently mounted to pump casing.

2.4 FRAME MOUNTED, END-SUCTION PUMPS

- A. Description: Centrifugal, frame mounted, end-suction, single-stage, bronze-fitted, back-pull-out, radially split case design; rated for 175-psig (1200-kPa) minimum working pressure and a continuous water temperature of 225 deg F (107 deg C).
 1. Casing: Cast iron, with flanged piping connections, drain plug at low point of volute, and threaded gage tapings at inlet and outlet connections.
 - a. Connection Option: Unions at connections for casings that are not available with threaded companion flanges.
 2. Impeller: ASTM B 584, cast bronze, statically and dynamically balanced, closed, overhung, single suction, keyed to shaft, and secured by locking cap screw.
 3. Wear Rings: Replaceable, bronze casing ring.
 4. Shaft and Sleeve: Steel shaft extension with bronze sleeve and neoprene slinger.
 5. Shaft: Stainless-steel shaft close coupled to motor shaft.
 6. Seals: Mechanical, with carbon-steel rotating ring, stainless-steel spring, ceramic seat, and flexible bellows and gasket.
 7. Coupling: Flexible, capable of absorbing torsional vibration and shaft misalignment.

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8. Coupling Guard: Steel, removable, and attached to mounting frame.
 9. Mounting Frame: Welded steel frame and cross members, factory fabricated from ASTM A 36/A 36M channels and angles. Fabricate for mounting pump casing, coupling guard, and motor. Field-drill motor-mounting holes for field-installed motors.
 10. Motor: Secured to mounting frame, with adjustable alignment.

2.5 PUMP SPECIALTY FITTINGS

- A. Suction Diffuser: Angle or straight pattern, 175-psig (1200-kPa) pressure rating, cast-iron body and end cap, pump-inlet fitting; with bronze startup and bronze or stainless-steel permanent strainers; bronze or stainless-steel straightening vanes; drain plug; and factory- or field-fabricated support.
- B. Triple-Duty Valve: Angle or straight pattern, 175-psig (1200-kPa) pressure rating, cast-iron body, pump-discharge fitting; with drain plug and bronze-fitted shutoff, balancing, and check valve features.

PART 3 - EXECUTION

3.1 EXAMINATION

- A. Examine equipment foundations and anchor-bolt locations for compliance with requirements for installation.
 1. Examine roughing-in for piping systems to verify actual locations of piping connections before pump installation.
 2. Examine foundations and inertia bases for suitable conditions where pumps are to be installed.
- B. Proceed with installation only after unsatisfactory conditions have been corrected.

3.2 PUMP INSTALLATION

- A. Install pumps according to manufacturer's written instructions.
 1. Install pumps according to HI 1.1-1.5, "Centrifugal Pumps for Nomenclature, Definitions, Application and Operation."
- B. Install pumps to provide access for periodic maintenance, including removing motors, impellers, couplings, and accessories.

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- C. Support pumps and piping separately so piping is not supported by pumps.
 - D. Suspend in-line pumps using continuous-thread hanger rod and vibration-isolation hangers. Install seismic bracing as required by authorities having jurisdiction.
 - E. Set base-mounted pumps on concrete foundation. Disconnect coupling halves before setting. Do not reconnect couplings until alignment operations have been completed.
 - 1. Support pump baseplate on rectangular metal blocks and shims, or on metal wedges with small taper, at points near foundation bolts to provide a gap of **3/4 to 1-1/2 inches (19 to 38 mm)** between pump base and foundation for grouting.
 - 2. Adjust metal supports or wedges until pump and driver shafts are level. Check coupling faces and suction and discharge flanges of pump to verify that they are level and plumb.

3.3 ALIGNMENT

- A. Align pump and motor shafts and piping connections after setting them on foundations, after grout has been set and foundation bolts have been tightened, and after piping connections have been made.
- B. Comply with pump and coupling manufacturers' written instructions.
- C. After alignment is correct, tighten foundation bolts evenly but not too firmly. Completely fill baseplate with nonshrink, nonmetallic grout while metal blocks and shims or wedges are in place. After grout has cured, fully tighten foundation bolts.

3.4 CONNECTIONS

- A. Piping installation requirements are specified in other Division 15 Sections. Drawings indicate general arrangement of piping, fittings, and specialties.
- B. Install piping adjacent to machine to allow service and maintenance.
- C. Connect piping to pumps. Install valves that are the same size as piping connected to pumps.

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- D. Install suction and discharge pipe sizes equal to or greater than diameter of pump nozzles.
 - E. Install check valve and throttling valve on discharge side of in-line circulators.
 - F. Install suction diffuser and shutoff valve on suction side of base-mounted pumps.
 - G. Install triple-duty valve on discharge side of base-mounted pumps.
 - H. Install flexible connectors on suction and discharge sides of base-mounted pumps between pump casing and valves.
 - I. Install pressure gages on pump suction and discharge. Install at integral pressure-gage tapings where provided.
 - J. Install electrical connections for power, controls, and devices.
 - K. Electrical power and control wiring and connections are specified in Division 16 Sections.
 - L. Ground equipment.
 - 1. Tighten electrical connectors and terminals according to manufacturer's published torque-tightening values. If manufacturer's torque values are not indicated, use those specified in UL 486A and UL 486B.

3.5 COMMISSIONING

- A. Verify that pumps are installed and connected according to the Contract Documents.
- B. Verify that electrical wiring installation complies with manufacturer's written instructions and the Contract Documents.
- C. Perform the following preventive maintenance operations and checks before starting:
 - 1. Lubricate bearings.
 - 2. Remove grease-lubricated bearing covers, flush bearings with kerosene, and clean thoroughly. Fill with new lubricant according to manufacturer's written instructions.
 - 3. Disconnect coupling and check motor for proper rotation that matches direction marked on pump casing.

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4. Verify that pumps are free to rotate by hand and that pumps for handling hot liquids are free to rotate with pumps hot and cold. Do not operate pumps if they are bound or drag, until cause of trouble is determined and corrected.
 5. Check suction piping connections for tightness to avoid drawing air into pumps.
 6. Clean strainers.
 7. Verify that pump controls are correct for required application.

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